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FEATURING:	Hog Inventory	Lvstk Sl.	Milk Production	Cold Storage	Egg Production
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OHIO HOG INVENTORY UP 7 PERCENT U.S. HOG INVENTORY UP 7 PERCENT

Ohio hog producers had 1.83 million hogs on hand March 1, 2008, up one percent from last quarter and up 7 percent from a year ago. The number of market hogs, at 1,660,000 head, was up one percent from last quarter and up 7 percent from last year. Breeding stock, at 170,000 head, was up three percent from last quarter and from last year.

The pig crop during the December-February 2008 quarter numbered 801,000 head, 4 percent above last year and one percent above last quarter. The number of sows farrowed during the December-February 2008 quarter, at 88,000, was 4,000 head above last year and from last quarter. Pigs saved per litter averaged 9.10, down 3 percent from last quarter, and down one percent from last year.

Ohio producers intend to farrow 84,000 sows during the March-May 2008 quarter; 1,000 head above a year earlier. Farrowing intentions for the summer quarter, June-August 2008, is 85,000 sows, 1,000 head below the same quarter of 2007.

U.S. inventory of all hogs and pigs on March 1, 2008 was 65.9 million head. This was up 7 percent from March 1, 2007, but down 2 percent from December 1, 2007.

Breeding inventory, at 6.14 million head, was up less than 1 percent from last year, but down slightly from the previous

quarter. Market hog inventory, at 59.8 million head, was up 7 percent from last year, but down 2 percent from last quarter.

The December 2007-February 2008 pig crop, at 28.1 million head, was up 6 percent from 2007 and up 9 percent from 2006. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 3.05 million head, up 5 percent from 2007 and up 7 percent from 2006. The sows farrowed during this quarter represented 50 percent of the breeding herd. The average pigs saved per litter was 9.21 for the December 2007-February 2008 period, compared to 9.09 last year. Pigs saved per litter by size of operation ranged from 7.50 for operations with 1-99 hogs and pigs to 9.30 for operations with more than 5,000 hogs and pigs.

U.S. hog producers intend to have 3.05 million sows farrow during the March-May 2008 quarter, up slightly from the actual farrowings during the same period in 2007, and up 4 percent from 2006. Intended farrowings for June-August 2008, at 3.04 million sows, are down 2 percent from 2007 but up 4 percent from 2006.

The total number of hogs under contract, owned by operations with over 5,000 head, but raised by contractees, accounted for 40 percent of the total U.S. hog inventory, up from 39 percent last year.

HOG AND PIG INVENTORY-MARCH 1, 2007 AND 2008 - SELECTED STATES

Selected States	Hogs and pigs for breeding		Hogs and pigs for market		All hogs and pigs	
	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008
Thousand Head						
Illinois	440	450	3,660	3,850	4,100	4,300
Indiana	320	320	2,930	3,180	3,250	3,500
Iowa	1,090	1,100	15,810	17,600	16,900	18,700
N. Carolina	1,030	1,020	8,370	8,980	9,400	10,000
Ohio	165	170	1,545	1,660	1,710	1,830
UNITED STATES	6,110	6,138	55,749	59,770	61,860	65,909

MARKET HOGS - MARCH 1, 2007 AND 2008 - SELECTED STATES

Selected States	Under 60 lbs.		60-119 lbs.		120-179 lbs.		180 lbs. and over	
	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007	2008
Thousand Head								
Illinois	1,310	1,390	890	920	790	830	670	710
Indiana	1,070	1,140	730	810	580	630	550	600
Iowa	4,650	5,420	4,210	4,600	3,780	4,130	3,170	3,450
N. Carolina	3,430	3,570	1,850	2,070	1,670	1,820	1,420	1,520
Ohio	605	635	380	410	320	370	240	245
UNITED STATES	20,381	21,897	13,356	14,291	11,679	12,443	10,334	11,140

SOWS FARROWING AND PIG CROP - SELECTED STATES

Selected States	September-November				December-February ^{1/}			
	Sows farrowing		Pig crop		Sows farrowing		Pig crop	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2007	2008	2007	2008
Thousand Head								
Illinois	215	235	1,957	2,162	210	235	1,901	2,162
Indiana	140	150	1,246	1,343	140	150	1,232	1,343
Iowa	480	510	4,344	4,743	455	500	4,095	4,575
N. Carolina	550	560	5,033	5,124	540	550	4,914	5,033
Ohio	83	84	764	790	84	88	769	801
UNITED STATES	2,949	3,099	26,857	28,690	2,905	3,051	26,396	28,094

FARROWING INTENTIONS - SELECTED STATES

Selected States	March-May Sows			June-August Sows		
	2007 ^{2/}	2008 ^{3/}	08/07	2007 ^{2/}	2008 ^{3/}	08/07
Thousand Head			Pct.	Thousand Head		
Illinois	230	235	102	240	235	98
Indiana	140	150	107	145	150	103
Iowa	480	490	102	480	490	102
N. Carolina	560	560	100	580	560	97
Ohio	83	84	101	86	85	99
UNITED STATES	3,033	3,047	100	3,114	3,037	98

1/ December of the preceding year. 2/ Actual number of sows farrowed. 3/ Intentions to farrow.

OHIO RED MEAT PRODUCTION

Commercial red meat production in Ohio during February 2008 totaled 24.6 million pounds, down 7 percent from a year earlier. Total live weight production in Ohio by species, compared with a year earlier was: cattle, 11.0 million pounds, up 13 percent; calves, 27 thousand pounds, up 17 percent; hogs, 25.3 million pounds, up 14 percent; sheep & lambs, 77 thousand pounds, no change from last year.

Commercial red meat production for the United States totaled 3.97 billion pounds in February, up 10 percent from the 3.62 billion pounds produced in February 2007.

Beef production, at 2.04 billion pounds, was 4 percent above the previous year. Cattle slaughter totaled 2.64 million head, up 3 percent from February 2007. The average live weight was up 11 pounds from the previous year, at 1,285 pounds.

Veal production totaled 11.0 million pounds, 9 percent below February a year ago. Calf slaughter totaled 69,100 head, up 4 percent from February 2007. The average live weight was down 36 pounds from last year, at 272 pounds.

Pork production totaled 1.90 billion pounds, up 16 percent from the previous year. Hog kill totaled 9.38 million head, up 16 percent from February 2007. The average live weight was up 2 pounds from the previous year, at 271 pounds.

Lamb and mutton production, at 15.0 million pounds, was up 4 percent from February 2007. Sheep slaughter totaled 211,400 head, 3 percent above last year. The average live weight was 143 pounds, up 3 pounds from February a year ago. February 2008 contained 21 weekdays (including one holiday) and 4 Saturdays.

FEBRUARY COMMERCIAL LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER

Item	Ohio			United States		
	2007	2008	08/07	2007	2008	08/07
Number of Head (000)						
Cattle	8.3	9.3	112	2,561.2	2,643.2	103
Calves	0.1	0.1	100	66.7	69.1	104
Hogs	80.9	91.9	114	8,117.3	9,378.1	116
Sheep & Lambs	0.7	0.7	100	204.7	211.4	103
Average live weight (lbs.)						
Cattle	1,178	1,190	101	1,274	1,285	101
Calves	350	350	100	308	272	88
Hogs	274	276	101	269	271	101
Sheep & Lambs	111	106	95	140	143	102
Total live weight (000 lbs.)						
Cattle	9,739	10,959	113	3,249,960	3,383,319	104
Calves	23	27	117	20,375	18,577	91
Hogs	22,097	25,290	114	2,183,764	2,534,773	116
Sheep & Lambs	77	77	100	28,708	30,111	105

FEBRUARY MILK PRODUCTION

The total milk production in Ohio during February 2008 was 402 million pounds, 22 million pounds more than a year earlier. The average number of cows on Ohio farms during February 2008 was 279 thousand. The yield per cow, at 1,440 pounds, was up 4 percent.

Milk production in the 23 major States during February totaled 13.9 billion pounds, up 6.0 percent from February 2007. January revised production, at 14.7 billion pounds, was

up 2.7 percent from January 2007. The January revision represented an increase of 40 million pounds or 0.3 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate. Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,653 pounds for February, 69 pounds above February 2007. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.42 million head, 136,000 head more than February 2007, and 9,000 head more than January 2008.

JANUARY MANUFACTURED DAIRY PRODUCTS

	Ohio			United States		
	2007	2008	08/07	2007	2008	08/07
	1,000 Gallons		Percent	1,000 Gallons		Percent
Ice Cream, Hard	1,951	1,584	81	64,840	62,848	97

FEBRUARY MILK COWS AND MILK PRODUCTION

	Milk cows on farm ^{1/}			Milk per cow ^{2/}			Milk Production ^{2/}			
	Feb. 2007	Jan. 2008	Feb. 2008	Feb. 2007	Jan. 2008	Feb. 2008	Feb. 2007	Jan. 2008	Feb. 2008	08/07
	Thousand			Pounds			Million Pounds			
California	1,795	1,839	1,841	1,755	1,900	1,805	3,150	3,494	3,323	106
Ohio	275	278	279	1,380	1,540	1,440	380	428	402	106
Wisconsin	1,246	1,250	1,250	1,470	1,635	1,530	1,832	2,044	1,913	104
23 State Total	8,286	8,413	8,422	1,584	1,746	1,653	13,125	14,688	13,919	106

1/ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh. 2/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

COLD STORAGE HIGHLIGHTS

Frozen food stocks in refrigerated warehouses on February 29, 2008 were greater than year earlier levels for turkey, pork, chicken and butter.

Butter stocks were up 7 percent from last month and up 8 percent from a year ago.

Total red meat supplies in freezers were up 1 percent from the previous month and up 9 percent from last year. Frozen pork supplies were up 6 percent from the previous month and up 25

percent from last year. Stocks of pork bellies were up 12 percent from last month and up 70 percent from last year.

Total frozen poultry supplies on February 29, 2008 were up 6 percent from the previous month and up 25 percent from a year ago. Total stocks of chicken were down 3 percent from the previous month but up 21 percent from last year. Total pounds of turkey in freezers were up 26 percent from last month and up 32 percent from February 28, 2007.

U.S. STOCKS IN COLD STORAGE FEBRUARY 29, 2008 WITH COMPARISONS

	U.S. STOCKS IN COOL STORAGE FEBRUARY 29, 2008 WITH COMPARISONS				
	Feb. 28, 2007	Jan. 31, 2008	Feb. 29, 2008	February 29, 2008 as percent of	
				2/28/07	1/31/08
	1,000 Pounds			Percent	
Butter	185,426	188,072	201,097	108	107
Cheese, Total Natural	875,700	781,363	805,515	92	103
Eggs, Frozen	15,693	12,007	15,834	101	132
Fruits, Frozen	950,657	1,140,318	1,037,055	109	91
Fruit Juices, Frozen	1,095,124	1,260,236	1,354,450	124	107
Meats, Total Red	963,373	1,037,245	1,046,367	109	101
Beef, Total Frozen	458,900	445,131	418,254	91	94
Pork, Total Frozen	483,200	570,348	603,244	125	106
Poultry, Total Frozen	939,607	1,105,683	1,169,853	125	106
Chicken	621,956	773,005	753,151	121	97
Turkeys	312,878	327,590	411,474	132	126
Vegetables, Total Frozen	1,766,620	2,011,470	1,754,322	99	87
Potatoes, Total Frozen	1,063,645	1,089,088	1,121,632	105	103

Data for this report are collected from public and private refrigerated warehouses storing commodities from 30 days or more. Stocks in space owned or leased by the armed forces are excluded. Food stocks held under bond are included in the storage data.

OHIO EGG PRODUCTION

Egg production in Ohio during February, 2008, totaled 548 million eggs; down 10 percent from last month and down 2 percent compared with a year earlier when production for February, 2007 totaled 559 million eggs. During February there were 26.2 million layers on Ohio farms. The rate of lay during the month was 2,092 eggs per 100 layers, or 72.1 percent. There were 0.5 percent of the layers in Ohio being force molted on March 1, 2008. Fifteen percent of the layers in Ohio have completed a forced molt compared with 25.0 percent a year ago. In all egg-producing states on March 1, 2008, 2.0 percent of the layers on hand were in a molt and 22.3 percent had completed a molt.

U.S. egg production totaled 7.13 billion during February 2008, up 3 percent from last year. Production included 6.05 billion table eggs, and 1.07 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.01 billion were broiler-type and 64 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during February 2008 averaged 343 million, down 2 percent from last year. February egg production per 100 layers was 2,075 eggs, up 4 percent from February 2007.

All layers in the U.S. on March 1, 2008 totaled 343 million, down 2 percent from last year. The 343 million layers consisted of 282 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 57.6 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 2.84 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on March 1, 2008, averaged 72.3 eggs per 100 layers, up 1 percent from March 1, 2007. Egg-type chicks hatched during February 2008 totaled 37.5 million, up 2 percent from February 2007. Eggs in incubators totaled 36.5 million on March 1, 2008, down 5 percent from a year ago. Broiler-type chicks hatched during February 2008 totaled 777 million, up 7 percent from February 2007. Eggs in incubators totaled 679 million on March 1, 2008, up 2 percent from a year earlier.

Turkey eggs in incubators on March 1, 2008 in the United States totaled 31.9 million, up 2 percent from March 1, 2007. Eggs in incubators were up 1 percent from the February 1, 2008 total of 31.5 million eggs.

FEBRUARY EGG PRODUCTION

	Layers on hand during month		Eggs per 100 layers	Total production			
				Monthly		Accumulated ^{1/}	
	2007	2008		2008	2007	2008	2007
	Thousands		Number	Million			
Ohio	27,152	26,190	2,092	559	548	1,821	1,786
U.S.	348,843	343,366	2,075	6,951	7,125	22,441	22,556

1/ Accumulated period began December of previous year.

CHICKS HATCHED BY COMMERCIAL HATCHERIES, UNITED STATES

	Egg-type			Broiler-type			Turkeys placed ^{1/}		
	2007	2008	2008/2007	2007	2008	2008/2007	2007	2008	2008/2007
	Thousands		Percent	Thousands		Percent	Thousands		Percent
Feb.	36,766	37,549	102	723,753	771,197	107	24,249	24,963	103
Jan. Feb.	73,692	77,716	105	1,520,819	1,593,063	105	146,413	149,171	102

1/ Accumulated period for turkeys begins September.

EGGS IN INCUBATORS - MARCH 1, 2008

	Egg-Type eggs			Broiler-type Chicks			Turkey Eggs		
	2007	2008	2008/2007	2007	2008	2008/2007	2007	2008	2008/2007
	Thousands		Percent	Thousands		Percent	Thousands		Percent
E. North Central ^{1/}	8,078	7,116	88	9,721	11,448	118	4,910	4,565	93
United States	38,468	36,531	95	663,815	679,081	102	31,209	31,927	102

1/ Not available by States.

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